

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-5 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1 and 3-5 have been amended to further clarify the claimed invention.

PRIOR ART REJECTIONS

Claims 1 and 3-5 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Imai (US 5,930,037) in view of Aoki (US 5,699,131). Applicants traverse these rejections because the cited references fail to disclose or suggest the claimed invention. Specifically, neither reference discloses or suggest at least the following limitations:

- 1) said part of said area consists of two linear areas extending along one of two pairs of opposed edges that define the image display area that is rectangular; and
- 2) the direction in which said part of said area in which the adhesive layer is provided extends, corresponds with the longitudinal direction [or orthogonal to the longitudinal direction] of the lens.

The Examiner concedes that Imai fails to disclose the adhesive layer limitations and cites to Aoki to make up for the deficiencies. However, as can be seen in Figure 1 of Aoki, the adhesive layer 9 intervenes only between the lower edge of the lenticular lens (1) and the Fresnel lens sheet (2). Therefore, Aoki does not disclose the above two features.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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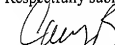
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